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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

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Examiner

Elizabeth A. Rielley

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address --

Period for Reply

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 30 December 2003.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-15 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-15 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 30 December 2003 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413) |
| 2) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____ |
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DETAILED ACTION

Priority

Receipt is acknowledged of papers submitted under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d), which papers have been placed of record in the file.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

Claims 1-2, 5-9, and 13-15 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Yamazaki et al (US 20030146446).

In regard to claims 1 and 2, Yamazaki et al ('446) teach an organic electroluminescent display device (figures 10 and 18), comprising: a glass substrate (11; paragraphs 96, 140, and 141); an optic-compensation film of transparent dielectric material formed on the surface of the glass substrate that is made from silicon nitride (12; paragraphs 140, 96, and 141); an anode layer formed on the optic-compensation film (25; paragraph 103); a laminated body of organic material formed on the anode layer (27; paragraphs 103 and 2); and a cathode layer formed on the laminated body (28; paragraph 106).

In regard to claims 5 and 13, Yamazaki et al ('446) teach the anode layer is ITO (paragraph 6).

In regard to claims 6 and 14, Yamazaki et al ('446) teach forming a hole-injecting layer (802; figure 8a; paragraph 77) formed on the anode layer (801); an organic luminescent material layer formed on the hole-injecting layer (804; paragraphs 77 and 2); and an electron-injecting layer formed on the organic luminescent material layer (806).

In regard to claims 7 and 15, Yamazaki et al ('446) teach the organic electroluminescent display device is an OLED device or a PLED device (paragraph 2).

In regard to claims 8 and 9, Yamazaki et al ('446) teach a method of forming an organic electroluminescent display device (figures 18 and 10A), comprising: providing a glass substrate (11; paragraphs 140-141 and 95-108); forming an optic-compensation film of transparent dielectric material on the surface of the glass substrate, made from silicon nitride (paragraph 96) in which the transparent nature of the optic-compensation film is not limited to light of a specific wavelength made from silicon nitride (12; paragraphs 140, 96, and 14; the Examiner notes that Yamazaki et al do not specifically state that the optic-compensation film is not limited to light of a specific wavelength, however, since it is transparent 'to visible light' as understood by paragraphs 140, 141, 96 as well as figure 18, therefore it is not limited to a specific wavelength but all visible light); forming an anode layer (25) on the optic-compensation film; forming a laminated body of organic material on the anode layer (27); and forming a cathode layer on the laminated body (28).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

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(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

Claims 3-4 and 10-12 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Yamazaki et al (US 20030146446) in view of Yamazaki et al (US 6815723).

In regard to claims 3 and 10, Yamazaki ('446) is silent regarding the limitation of the optic-compensation film is 100-3000 angstroms thick. Yamazaki et al ('723) teach an optic compensation film made from silicon nitrate that is 100-3000 angstroms thick (column 14 lines 51-58) in order to for light to pass through (column 10 lines 4-22). Hence it would have been obvious at the time of the invention to one of ordinary skill in the art to combine the display of Yamazaki et al ('446) with the SiNx thickness of Yamazaki et al ('723). Motivation to combine would be to allow more light to pass through the display.

In regard to claims 4 and 11-12, Yamazaki et al ('446) are silent regarding the limitations that the optic compensation film promotes transparency of red light to approximately 90% thereby increasing the transparency of red light. However, since Yamazaki et al ('446) in view of Yamazaki et al ('723) teach a display with a transparent silicon nitrate film that is between 100-3000 angstroms thick, it would have naturally promoted the transparency of the red light to approximately 90% thereby increasing the transparency of red light, since Yamazaki et al ('446) in view of ('723) meet all the claimed recitations of the final product manufactured. Hence, it would have been obvious at the time of the invention to one of ordinary skill in the art to combine the display of Yamazaki et al ('446) with the SiNx thickness of Yamazaki et al ('723), thereby naturally obtaining a transparency of red light to approximately 90%

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thereby increasing the transparency of red light. Motivation to combine would be to allow more light to pass through the display.

Conclusion

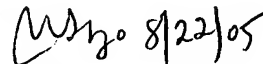
Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Elizabeth A. Rielley whose telephone number is 571-272-2117. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday 7:30 - 4:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nimeshkumar Patel can be reached on 571-272-2457. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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